# S. LUKE'S CHURCH, GERMANTOWN,
## PHILADELPHIA.
# EASTER OFFERING, 1888.

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To the Parishioners of S. Luke's Church.

The Rector with the concurrence and advice of the Wardens and Vestrymen of S. Luke's Church, would respectfully inform the members of the congregation, that after careful deliberation, it has been deemed advisable to devote the offerings on Easter Day this year, and as a rule in the future, to the accumulation of a Parish Endowment Fund. It is their conviction that if reasonable measures are taken to secure for itself a permanent source of income, the Parish will be the better able in the near future, to cover its own immediate requirements, and also to meet the extensive opportunity for charitable and missionary work which lies within its reach, and which is ever presenting new demands.

To this end they have appointed Easter Day as the occasion in the Church Year, when the offerings of the people of S. Luke's may be devoted, (and it is hoped with liberal hand,) to the cause of self-sustentation, which will take the form of a permanent Endowment Fund.

It may be here noted that any one who so desires, may appropriate their offering, (properly marking the same,) to the Rectory Fund now in process of accumulation, and which constitutes a part of the general endowment of the Parish. It may not be out of place also to suggest, that members of S. Luke's might find in the Parish Endowment Fund, an appropriate object for bequests. Our spiritual home may well claim consideration at a time when we are making provision for the temporal.

In adopting this measure, it is to be remarked, that S. Luke's will but be following the example of a number of the older Parishes in the City, which have, by their experience, proved its wisdom and practicability.

It is earnestly hoped therefore, that all the members of the congregation will cordially unite in this object, as one of first importance to the Parish, that all will give according to their several ability, and as an offering in thankful recognition of God's mercies, and especially of the gift of His Son our Saviour, Who to the joy of each and all, "hath brought Life and Immortality to light."

SAMUEL UPJOHN, Rector.

JAMES M. AERTSEN, }
ROBERT. P. McCULLAGH, } Wardens.

Palm Sunday, March 25, 1888.
S. Luke's Church.

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH,

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA.

# EASTER OFFERING, 1889.

To the Parishioners of S. Luke's Church.

The Rector, with the concurrence and advice of the Wardens and Vestrymen of S. Luke's Church renew to the members of the congregation, the notice of last year, viz: that the offerings received on Easter Day, where not otherwise designated, will be devoted to the accumulation of a Parish Endowment.

It will be noted that the Rectory lately completed, as far as paid for, constitutes part of the endowment of the Parish.

It is earnestly hoped that all the members of the congregation will cordially unite in this object, as one of first importance to the Parish, that all will give according to their several ability, and as an offering in thankful recognition of God's mercies, and especially of the gift of His Son our Saviour, Who to the joy of each and all, "hath brought Life and Immortality to light."

SAMUEL UPJOHN, Rector.

JAMES M. AERTSEN,
ROBERT P. McCULLAGH, } Wardens.

5th Sunday in Lent, April 7, 1889.
S. Luke's Church.

EASTER, 1892.

# S. Luke's Church, Germantown,

PHILADELPHIA.

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TO THE PARISHIONERS OF S. LUKE'S CHURCH.

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The Rector and Vestry of S. Luke's Church, through their committee, are happy to announce to the congregation that gifts and subscriptions have reached a sufficient sum to warrant them in giving out the contract for the completion of the Tower. Work will therefore be begun immediately, and the Tower will be finished, it is expected, by October 1st, so that it will (D. V.) be dedicated to the service and glory of God on S. Luke's Day.

The amount required to cover the contract price and other outlays will be about $10,000. Of this amount $7,500 have been contributed in money and pledges. The $2,500 to complete the sum is now asked for. As there are many members of the Parish who have as yet contributed little or nothing to this object, and as all will be gratified to see this important feature of our Church Building finished, it is hoped that they may be moved to offer liberally. The Easter Offerings (at all the Celebrations, 6, 7, 8, 10.30,) will be devoted to this object. Pledges may be given, if more convenient, payable at any time before S. Luke's Day, October 18, 1892. Let every one give for the honor of God's House "not that which costs him nothing," but willingly and generously.

The Memorial Gift of a chime often bells will be ready for dedication on S. Luke's Day, and will be rung for the first time on the Feast of All Saints.

SAMUEL UPJOHN,
JAMES M. AERTSEN,
R. P. MCCULLAGH,
JOHN ALBURGER,
REED A. WILLIAMS, JR.,
*Committee.*

*Passion Sunday, April 3, 1892.*

# CIRCULAR-LETTER

*To the Members of the Congregation of S. Luke's Church:—*

The Vestry desire, by this means, to enlist the interest of the members of the congregation in the financial condition of the Parish, and ask their immediate co-operation therein. At Easter, 1893, the offering of $2,600 enabled the Vestry to pay off the floating debt ($1,500) then existing, and also to reduce the mortgage on the Rectory by the amount of $1,100. At Easter, 1895, two years subsequently, there had accumulated through ordinary expenses and betterments to the property a debt of $4,500. Towards the defrayment of this amount the Easter offering was $1,500, leaving a present indebtedness of $3,000. It is desired, at this time, to largely reduce or extinguish this debt, toward which members of the Vestry have contributed, and they ask the other members of the congregation to assist them in completing what they have thus begun.

The Vestry also desire to direct the attention of the congregation to the fact that while, within the last few years, a large amount of money has been contributed by liberal givers for improvements in the church edifice, on the other hand it is to be noted that the current revenue is not adequate to meet the absolute needs. To this end an additional yearly revenue of $2,000 is required. The current income can be made sufficient to meet the current expenses, either by materially impairing the services and working force of the Church, or else by a more general effort on the part of those attending to assume their share in the support of the services. The Vestry hesitate to resort to the former alternative. They, however, consider that a larger pew rental for the Church might be reasonably looked for from those who are not regular contributors and from those who at present rent one or two sittings, in cases where more accommodation is really required for frequent or habitual occupation. The responsibility for the expenses of the services, which are continuous throughout the year, must devolve upon the congregation, and in order to avoid undesirable curtailment at this time, the Vestry confidently make this appeal in behalf of the good estate of the Parish. Sunday, June 23d, is appointed as the day for a general offering for this object. Offerings or pledges may be enclosed in the envelope.

By order of the Committee.

1895

# S. Luke's Church,

## GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA.

## EASTER, 1897

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH:—

The Easter Offerings of the members of the Congregation of St. Luke's Church are asked for the discharge of obligations incurred in the current expenses of the Parish. For this purpose there is needed the sum of $4500, of which $1500 is a deficiency remaining over from the previous year. The means of revenue of the Parish are the Pew Rents, and the Sunday Offerings except where otherwise specified. These stated means yield an income of about $7500, while the yearly expenses are at least $10,000. This latter sum cannot be reduced without seriously impairing the work in hand, as well as the proper maintenance of the properties of the Parish. From a revised list of the Parish Register just made, it appears that there are nearly eight hundred Communicants, which with others shows some eleven hundred persons who are benefited by the ministrations of the Church. This computation will serve to indicate somewhat the extent of the work in hand. It is thought by the Vestry, that if the need of additional revenue was fully understood and recognized by the large number of families and individuals using the services of the Church, a greater liberality would be extended by them in the way of taking Pews and Sittings, as also by the Sunday Offerings, which would be sufficient to make up the amount required. The yearly expenses of the Parish are not out of proportion to the nature of the work which St. Luke's feels it is her great opportunity to do, not only in behalf of the people immediately connected with the Parish, but for the community which it is her mission to assist in educating and influencing. The motive for sustaining this work should therefore be a generous one on the part of all. "Freely ye have received, freely give."

To the end that the Offering may be worthy of the object and of the occasion, it is proposed to ask pledges beforehand of $500 and less amounts down to $1. For the sake of the work and of Him Who at this time "brought Life and Immortality to Light," and in Whose name we labour, we ask your active and generous co-operation.

*Signed,*
SAMUEL UPJOHN,
REED A. WILLIAMS, JR.,
JOHN ALBURGER,
FRANK C. GILLINGHAM,
*Committee.*

Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 4, 1897.

The Offerings at all morning services on Easter Day will be devoted to the object here named.

*This Circular is not for publication.*

# EASTER OF 1898

## S. Luke's Church

GERMANTOWN, PHILA.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION OF S. LUKE'S CHURCH.

*My Dear Brethren:*—Your offerings on Easter Day are asked for the support of the work of the Parish. The current revenue falls $1,700 short of meeting the expenses for the year ending March 1st. In addition to this deficiency there is an indebtedness of $3,000 accumulated from previous years. The amount, therefore, asked this Easter is $4,700. My proposition is that if the members of the congregation at large will contribute $1,900, I will undertake to secure the remaining $2,800.

In making this proposal I am only asking, as heretofore, that the many who attend the services of the church and receive its benefits, should, to the best of their several ability, assist in liquidating the necessary expenses of the Parish. Especially do I urge a generous response at this time, for if this proposal is accepted the Parish will be entirely free from its floating debt.

Let each person who finds in S. Luke's his spiritual home, give for this object as he would for his own. Let everyone offer "not that which costs him nothing," but a substantial gift, "heartily as to the Lord, and not to men."

Asking your co-operation and your prayers for the welfare of the Church in the Parish

I remain,
Very sincerely and affectionately,
Your Rector,

March 31, 1898. SAMUEL UPJOHN.

Offerings at all the services, except 4 P. M., on Easter Day will be for this purpose.

Envelopes for this offering are herewith sent to all communicants of the Parish.

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH,

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA.

## Easter, 1901.

*Dear Brethren:*

Your offerings on Easter Day are asked for the purpose of defraying an indebtedness of $3500, for expenses in carrying on the services for the past year, and for a part of the year previous.

A few people have pledged themselves to contribute three-fifths of the amount above stated, the other two-fifths, or $1400, is asked from the congregation at large. Surely this will not be burdensome, if everyone will do according to his and her ability.

It should be remembered, by those who make S. Luke's Church their spiritual home, how much is really done for them, and for the community, in the ministrations which are carried on throughout the year. S. Luke's simply endeavors to set forth honestly and fully the Church's standard teaching—in doctrine, in life, in worship. She is the only Church in Germantown which maintains, with the dignity and propriety of the Church's liturgical and musical resources—the GREAT OBLATION on every Lord's Day; the privilege of two Early Celebrations on Sundays, a Daily Celebration, and Daily Morning and Evening Prayer. More than is realized or appreciated, probably, by many who benefit by her ministrations, S. Luke's holds herself as a "House of Prayer for all people;" she has become more and more a Missionary centre, an inspirer in the hearts of large numbers of a sense of the largeness, and fulness, and richness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This is not said in a spirit of boastfulness, or in disparagement of others. It seems only right that it should be said, however, and at this time, and with the conviction that what is thus said will be generally acknowledged, and thankfully, by many. It would be a comparatively easy matter to curtail expenses, by cutting off one and another outlay, diminishing thereby the extent and effectiveness of the spiritual work of the Church in the Parish. Under the present administration this cannot be done, nor is it believed that the people would like to see it done. In this connection it will be remembered that the responsibility of the Rector of a Parish is not solely to the Parish but to the Church itself, of which the Parish is but the representative. With these principles in mind, it will be seen, that for the carrying on of such important work, the members of the Church in the Parish, should look upon the work to be done and supported as a *part of their membership* of the Church, and that each one, "in his vocation and ministry," conscientiously give according to his ability—and it is hoped "with glad mind and will."—

"FREELY YE HAVE RECEIVED, FREELY GIVE."

Affectionately, your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

REED A. WILLIAMS, JR.
JOHN ALBURGER,
*Wardens.*

**Holy Week, 1901.**

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH,

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA.

## Easter, 1903.

*My Dear Bretheren:*

As may be known to you, it is usual in many parishes, constituted as ours is, to raise, by means of a system of weekly contributions through envelopes, a supplementary fund over and above the revenue from pew rents, in order to meet the necessary expenses of the year. This system is carried out in many of the larger parishes in this city, and in other places. It is in some respects an excellent plan, but for various reasons it has not been adopted in S. Luke's. Another year, and for the future the vestry proposes to arrange for the securing, in some way, of the greater part of the amount required for this purpose by other means than by a general offering at Easter which has been the custom hitherto. **Meanwhile, at the present time, we ask our people to contribute on Easter Sunday the sum of $2,500.** We confidently trust that the members of the congregation will give liberally to this object, and each according to his several ability. Envelopes for the Easter offering will be provided, and every communicant and all others are asked to use them. Between now and Easter, both those who have much and those who have little, can conscientiously "lay by in store" their offering, with a view to making it in some degree an earnest of their appreciation of their blessings bestowed in the House of God.

It will be gratifying to our people to know that by a recent liberal gift, the amount required for making up the first $10,000 of the Permanent Fund for the Parish Endowment has been received, which will enable the Parish to use the interest of the fund so accumulated towards the expenses. By accumulations and gifts the sum of $5,000 has been raised for this fund in two years, it having been begun in 1901, and there is every reason to believe that it will increase rapidly, to the permanent benefit of the Parish.

Asking you for your co-operation at this time in the sustainment of the important work of the Church in this Parish, and with best wishes for a happy Easter,

I remain, sincerely and affectionately,

Your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

**Passion Sunday,**
*March 29th, 1903.*

# The Industrial Home

FOR

# Colored Women

**30 Armat Street, Germantown, Philadelphia.**

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## AN APPEAL.

(*For Distribution.*)

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THE undersigned, representative of their several Parishes in Germantown, Mt. Airy and Wissahickon Heights, having in charge the project of an Industrial Home for Colored Women, concerning which, a Circular Letter was distributed last Lent, beg leave to announce that a house, (No. 30 Armat St.,) has been rented, which it is intended shall serve as a centre of an industrial, social and religious work. It is proposed to conduct here a Home for the Temporary Accommodation of Young Colored Women, a Laundry, and an Intelligence Office, with possibly some further industrial features, under a suitable plan of organization and government.

They have deemed it expedient to begin this work in the least expensive way compatible with efficiency ; and they now seek to commend their plan to the practical interest and co-operation of Church people and of others in the community, who may be interested in the project.

In order to meet the necessary expenses of rent, improvements and sustentation of the Home for the ensuing year, the sum of FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS is asked for. This amount distributed among the nine parishes associated in the work, they feel confident will be gladly contributed. It will be readily seen that a project of this kind is calculated to meet a deeply felt need, eagerly suggested by the Colored people themselves, and one which our Church, (long inactive in this particular field,) may well undertake.

It is their earnest wish and prayer that the spirit of ready help may inspire our people, and lead them to give their aid with glad mind and will.

Donations, large and small, are solicited from all by whom this appeal may be seen, and may be sent to the Rectors or to the members of the Board of Managers of the several Parishes, or to the Treasurer of the Board of Directors.

MISS LOUISA C. RODNEY, *Pres.*, S. Luke's Church.
MRS. PAUL C. BREWER, *Sec'y*, S. Peter's Church.
MRS. HENRY S. GROVE, S. Peter's Church.
MRS. R. S. PERRY, *Treas.*, Calvary Church.
MRS. F. ASCHENBACH, Church of S. John Baptist.
MRS. L. I. W. KENT, S. Luke's Church.
MRS. JAMES BAYARD, Grace Church, Mt. Airy.
MRS. W. S. MCKINLEY, Church of the Epiphany.
MISS HELEN D. WELLS, Christ Church.
MISS DOWNS, Christ Church.
MISS SARAH W. HOUSTON, Church of S. Martin in the Fields.

*Board of Managers.*

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JACOB LEROY.

*Board of Directors.*

GERMANTOWN,
October, 1903.

# S. Luke's Church,

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA.

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## EASTER, 1904.

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*To the Parishioners of S. Luke's Church:*

My Dear Brethren:

Your Easter Offerings are asked in behalf of the Church's work in the Parish. To meet present obligations $2000 are needed, and for greatly needed repairs $500 in addition. It should be explained that the last year's expenses have not overrun the receipts to the extent of $2000, but included in this amount is an indebtedness of $500, carried over from the previous year, together with that which during the year has been paid into the Permanent Fund. This year's deficit has been less than half of that of the year previous. This result has been accomplished by lessening expenses, and by contributions made to meet them. In another year it is expected that the deficit will be less than this year's. Envelopes for the Easter Offering will be provided.

Asking for your co-operation in the important work of the Church in this Parish, and with best wishes for a happy Easter, I remain,

Very Sincerely and Faithfully
Your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

Reed A. Williams, Jr., } *Wardens.*
John Alburger, }

*Passion Sunday, March 20.*

# S. Luke's Church

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

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## EASTER DAY

APRIL 23, 1905

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*To the Parishioners of S. Luke's Church:*

MY DEAR BRETHREN:

Your Easter Offerings are asked in behalf of the Church's work in the Parish. During the past year extraordinary repairs upon the exterior and interior of the Church have involved an outlay of some $1400. This expense could not be defrayed from the current income of the Parish.

TO MEET IT AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD'S HOUSE, THE SUM OF $2500 IS NEEDED.

The liabilities of our Parochial household, which have ultimately to be met at Easter, might be considerably lessened, if all those who are able to do so, would, through the year, either by means of pew-rents or the envelopes, endeavor to contribute an equitable share to the yearly expenses of the Parish.

Asking for your hearty co-operation in the Church's work in the Parish, and with best wishes and God' blessing for a happy Easter,

I remain, Very Sincerely and Faithfully

Your Rector,

REED A. WILLIAMS, JR., } *Wardens.*
JOHN ALBURGER, }

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

*Mid-Lent Sunday, April 2*

*Celebration of Holy Communion, 6, 7, 8, 10.30 a. m., at which offerings are made.*

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

Offerings for the
PERMANENT FUND
Of the Parish

1905

ON S. LUKE'S DAY
October 18th and
Octave, October 22d

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## S. LUKE'S DAY AND OCTAVE

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*To the members of S. Luke's Congregation*

*My Dear Brethren:*

Your particular attention is drawn at this time to the object of the Offerings on S. Luke's Day and the Sunday following—viz: the **Permanent Fund** of S. Luke's Church. The method of increase of this Fund is in addition to other means, "by at least $1000 per year to be raised by appeal to the Congregation on S. Luke's Day and on the Sunday in the Octave."

1. The **Permanent Fund,** while securing an Endowment for the Parish, provides that the interest on each successive $10,000, when raised, shall be available for Current Expenses.

2. It will be noticed that the **Fund** as set forth, provides for an income, not only to a future generation, but to the present one.

3. The benefit of an Endowment for the Parish will be recognized in its ultimate prevention of a yearly deficit.

4. The Fund now amounts to $13,230.00. From $10,000 of this sum the Parish derives the benefit of the income. The balance, $3,230.00, will be left to increase until it amounts to $10,000, when the income of the same will also be available for the use of the Parish.

5. Everyone is asked to contribute to this Fund on this occasion. A number of persons can give $100 each, others $50, others $25, others $10, others a lesser sum; most of those who can give least, can give $1.00.

**6. The Rector is authorized to say that if the Congregation will raise $1000, he will supplement their $1000 by another $1000. With this stimulus, there should be no difficulty in raising, at this Feast of S. Luke, $2000.**

Asking you, one and all, for your co-operation in this work of first importance, and with the prayer for God's blessing upon the Parish, I remain,

Faithfully and affectionately your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN

REED A. WILLIAMS, JR.
JOHN ALBURGER
*Wardens*

*Saturday, October 14th, 1805*

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH

Germantown, Philadelphia

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## THE FEAST OF S. LUKE, OCTOBER, 1907

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*Dear Brethren:*

Will you not kindly consider the appeal made at this time by the Rector and Vestry of S. Luke's Church, in behalf of the Permanent Fund, for the endowment of the Parish, and for which an offering is to be made on this Parish Festival of S. Luke, Friday, October 18th, and Sunday, the 20th insts.? The aim is, to complete on this occasion, the second series of Ten Thousand Dollars of the Fund, the amount required for this purpose being about $1900.

The accomplishment of this object will ensure an additional income to the Parish of nearly, if not quite, $500, —a consummation so obviously desirable, that we hope that it will meet with your hearty approval and liberal support.

Very Sincerely, your Rector

SAMUEL UPJOHN

REED A. WILLIAMS, JR.
SYDNEY L. WRIGHT
*Wardens*

# S. Luke's Church

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

## Easter, 1909

***To the Members of the Congregation of S. Luke's Church:***

An offering of thirteen hundred dollars ($1300) is asked for from the congregation of S. Luke's Church on Easter Day.

This amount is needed to meet the expenses of the Parochial year ending February 28th, 1909, and which include special clerical service, general, organ, lighting repairs and improvements, the whole yearly expense of the Parish amounting to about $12,750.

The income and contributions from the Parish, for the year, for all purposes have been about $23,000. Acknowledging the generous disposition of our people, and in the interests of good management, the Wardens beg to offer the suggestion that the $1,000 or so which is needed to make up the required amount for the yearly expenses of the Church, might be met if a larger number of regular attendants would avail themselves of pew rentals, and perhaps in some cases, more in proportion to the generous character and extent of the work done in S. Luke's, and as a means of obviating the recurrence of a yearly deficit.

It will be further noted that the Parish derives nearly one thousand dollars income from its Permanent Fund, the increase of which is an object which commends itself to the attention and liberality of the members of the congregation.

Asking for your devoted co-operation in this Easter offering; and with best wishes and prayers for the blessing of God upon the Parish and upon you all,

I remain,

Sincerely and affectionately,

Your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN

JOHN ALBURGER, *Rector's Warden.*

SYDNEY L. WRIGHT, *Accounting Warden.*

***Celebrations of Holy Communion, on Easter Day, at which offerings for this object are made, 6, 7, 8 and 10.30 a.m.***

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

## Easter, 1910

*To the Members of the Congregation of S. Luke's Church:*

*Dear Brethren:*—Your Easter Offerings this year are asked for to cover the amount required to meet the expenses of the Parish for the year ending February 28th, which is about $1,500.00. This amount includes some extraordinary outlays of long-term insurance and of painting, amounting to some $700.00.

The following is a statement for the year ending February 28th:

Total revenue for the support of Parish work, $11,658.35.

The total expenses of the Parish work, $11,760.76,

Deficit carried from previous year, $1,329.18.

Total deficit, February 28th, 1910, $1,431.59.

It may be stated that if the fiscal year of the Parish coincided with the year of the Convention of the Diocese, the deficit would not have to be carried over from one year to another.

The Wardens again, in the interest of good management, offer the suggestion that, as far as possible, a larger number of regular attendants avail themselves of pew rentals, and that when, as at present, only one or two sittings are taken, and the entire pew occupied, the entire pew be taken.

The Wardens would prefer to be able to devote the Easter Offering to some other object than for Parish Support, and this end, they think, might be attained, if pew revenues, or at least envelopes, were more generally distributed throughout the congregation. As it now is, that which is lacking of current revenue must be made up at Easter.

For this immediate object your liberal offerings are asked for on Easter Day, March 27th. It will be noted that the Permanent Fund yields now an income of $975.00 towards the support of the Parish. It is most desirable that this Fund should be increased, and it is hoped that the friends of the Parish will have this important feature of parochial economy in mind, and contribute towards its enlargement, both by gift and by bequest.

With best wishes and prayers for God's blessing upon the Parish and upon you all, I remain,

Sincerely and affectionately your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

JOHN ALBURGER, *Rector's Warden.*
SYDNEY L. WRIGHT, *Accounting Warden.*

Passion Sunday, March 13th, 1910.

Celebrations of Holy Communion, at which offerings for this object are made, on Easter Day, 6, 7, 8, and 10.30 a. m.

# St. Luke's Church

## Germantown, Phila.

### FOR THE GREATER EFFICIENCY OF THE PAROCHIAL SYSTEM.

At the last meeting of the Vestry, the undersigned committee was appointed for the purpose of enlisting the interest and co-operation of the communicants generally in the parochial system of offerings.

On March 1, 1911, the duplex envelope system was introduced at St. Luke's Church. This was done after careful consideration at a meeting of the men of the parish and afterwards unanimously approved at a general meeting of the parishioners. The result for the first year, considering the number of contributors, has been most gratifying and has proved without doubt that the system if generally adopted is the best for raising necessary funds, both for the Parish and for Missions.

During the past year there have been one hundred and sixty-seven contributors by this method, which has produced a remarkable increase in offerings for both purposes. We would urge that of the seven hundred communicants of the parish the number of contributors might be largely increased.

Will you not do your part toward making this system a still greater success during the coming year? We know that some are opposed to making any sort of a pledge, but we feel this objection is answered when it is realized that if one is unable to fulfill his obligation, he can release himself by notifying the Accounting Warden.

We enclose herewith a pledge card and return envelope, which we hope that you will use. We ask for no special amount, but urge you to fill out the card, pledging yourself for a weekly contribution towards the expenses of the parish and toward our missionary apportionment. As the parish needs about $6000 and the apportionment for missions is about $3000, your total offering might be divided in the proportion of two for the parish and one for missions.

As the time is short in which to make a full canvass of the parish, we ask you to give this question your immediate consideration and to send in a reply to the Accounting Warden before February 15th. It is the earnest hope of the Vestry that the offerings through the envelope system will meet both our current expenses and our missionary apportionment. If every one in the parish will give through this system, we feel confident this will be accomplished.

Hoping for an early and favorable reply, we are,

Very truly yours,

SYDNEY L. WRIGHT
J. FREDERIC THOMAS
STEWARDSON BROWN
WALTER G. HENDERSON
CLARENCE C. BRINTON, Chairman
*Committee*

February 7th, 1912.

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

## The Easter Offering, 1914

MY DEAR BRETHREN:

It has been thought advisable by the Rector and Vestry of the Parish, that the Easter offering for this year should be devoted to the increase of the Permanent Fund. It is hoped that all members of S. Luke's will be moved to join heartily in this effort to increase this Fund, which is the active endowment of the Parish.

It will be of interest to note that since the establishment of this Fund in 1901, the offerings for the increase of the same have been made, generally speaking, on S. Luke's Day, and at Easter. This arrangement has been made possible, owing to the establishment of the envelope system in 1911, since which time the revenue has met the expenses of the Church without a deficit.

The offerings on Easter Day, S. Luke's Day, and the Sunday in the Octave, 1913, together with the receipts during the year, amounted to $2386.30.

The condition of the Permanent Fund at the present time is as follows:

The First Series of $10,000 was completed in 1903
" Second " " 10,000 " " " 1907
" Third " " 10,000 " " " 1912

—so that the fund now consists of the par value of $30,000, from which an income of $1,355 per annum is derived and is applied towards the current expenses of the Parish.

The Fourth Series (uncompleted) at present consists of $4,100 par value of investments, and there is a cash balance on hand of $412.19.

I earnestly ask that every communicant, as far as possible, will contribute liberally, according to ability, towards the completion of the Fourth Series of this Fund. ***As noted above $5,500 is needed for this purpose.***

Asking you for your co-operation in this important work of the Church in the Parish, and with best wishes for a happy Easter,

I remain, sincerely and affectionately,

Your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

SYDNEY L. WRIGHT, *Accounting Warden*

**Passion Sunday,**

*March 29th, 1914.*

# S. LUKE'S CHURCH

GERMANTOWN PHILADELPHIA

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## Offering for Summer Charities

**INCLUDING**

*Salary of Assistant to the Chaplain of Philadelphia U. S. Navy Yard*

who works among the thousands of our Sailors.

For this object THREE HUNDRED ($300) DOLLARS is needed.

OFFERING ON S. JOHN BAPTIST'S DAY

***SUNDAY, JUNE 24th, 1917.***

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DEAR BRETHREN :—

You are asked to contribute to the above objects, on Sunday, June 24th, S. John Baptist's Day.

Those of you who go away on your Summer holidays can give largely ; those who cannot afford to go can give gladly of their little.

Affectionately, Your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

# S. Luke's Church

## Germantown, Philadelphia

## Easter Offering

My Dear Brethren of S. Luke's:

Your offerings on Easter Day are asked for the Property Fund of the Mission now carried on by S. Luke's Church on the East Side of Germantown.

The premises now occupied by the Mission are located at the corner of 65th Avenue and 21st Street and consist of a lot of land and a dwelling house, affording ample accommodation for Church services and week-day activities.

This Mission has been carried on for four years, in that populous neighbourhood hitherto unprovided for, with the motive of *showing forth Jesus Christ and Him Crucified*, according to the Church's *worship* and *order*.

Our present opportunity is to be regarded as a sacred obligation resting upon Church people, and which S. Luke's Parish is endeavoring to meet. In this Gospel enterprise we have, under God's favor, met with a gratifying response from the people; besides defraying the expenses of the Mission and showing laudable enterprise in every good work, they themselves, with slight help from elsewhere, have accumulated over twelve hundred dollars toward this same object, towards which your offerings are asked on Easter Day.

It is hoped that for this object $2,000 may be given at this time.

May we all be inspired with fervent zeal, with the spirit of helpfulness, with an abundant charity;

*Looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ,*

*Who gave Himself for us that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.*

Very sincerely, your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN

Sydney L. Wright, *Rector's Warden*
Clarence C. Brinton, *Accounting Warden*

S. Luke's Church,
Passion Sunday, March 17th, 1918.

# S. Luke's Church

## Germantown, Philadelphia

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SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY
January 27, 1918

## THE CHURCH WAR COMMISSION

*Chairman*
THE RT. REV. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, D. D.

*Chairman of Executive Committee*
THE RT. REV. JAMES DEWOLFE PERRY, JR., D. D.

TO ALL PARISHIONERS OF S. LUKE'S CHURCH:

In compliance with the request of the Church War Commissioner, we are asking for your generous contributions on Sunday, January 27th, for War Work—which includes Pastoral Supervision and ministration of the Sacraments of the Church, to thousands of our men, in camp and field and at sea.

"Seventy thousand Churchmen are in the Army and Navy. What are we going to think of the Church if she does not let them know that she is behind them," and many more, say the Bishops named above.

The envelopes enclosed in these letters are sent to the parishioners of S. Luke's for the special offering at all the services on January 27th.

"I am certain this is the biggest ministry I shall ever perform." (A Chaplain's Comment.)

Our hearts and hands must go out to our men; God helping us, they will.

Faithfully your Rector,
SAMUEL UPJOHN.

SYDNEY L. WRIGHT,
*Rector's Warden.*
CLARENCE C. BRINTON,
*Accounting Warden.*

Wednesday, January 23, 1918.

# S. Luke's Church, Germantown

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# Easter

*APRIL 4, 1920*

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## THE EASTER OFFERING

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DEAR BRETHREN OF S. LUKE'S CHURCH:

The Offering on Easter Day will be devoted to meet an indispensable requirement of Public Worship—viz.: the equipment of the organ with electrical in place of pneumatic action.

This matter is of much concern in the interest of the services. The work will entail an expense of some thirty-five hundred dollars ($3500). To meet this outlay every member of the Parish is asked to co-operate with liberal contributions; it is an object which can no longer be deferred, if we are to have any music at all. I am sure this is a cause which will appeal to every one personally who participates in the worship of S. Luke's Church.

It will be an incentive to mention that the organ in S. Luke's Church was first used on Easter Day, 1894—tweny-six years ago. It is an organ of exceptional merit in plan and quality, and was erected under the immediate supervision of Mr. Carlton C. Michell and is considered by the most competent judges in the country to be a model instrument.

You are asked to join in this effort and to give it your earnest attention and support. The enclosed envelope may be used on Easter Day or at such other time as shall be found most convenient.

May this Easter Feast bring its own blessing of power and of hope to all, with the renewed vision of Life Eternal.

Affectionately,

Your Rector,

SAMUEL UPJOHN.

SYDNEY L. WRIGHT,
*Rector's Warden*

CLARENCE C. BRINTON
*Accounting Warden*

REED A. MORGAN
J. FREDERICK THOMAS
WM. CHATTIN WETHERILL
*Music Committee*

*Passion Sunday,*
*March 21, 1920.*

Hours of Celebrations on Easter Day: 6, 7, 8, 10.30 A. M.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GERMANTOWN

CLARENCE C. BRINTON, ACCOUNTING WARDEN
5633 GERMANTOWN AVE., PHILADELPHIA

On July 1st St. Luke's became a Free Church. There are no longer any rented pews or sittings and all seats are free at all services. The support of the Church now depends entirely upon the voluntary contributions of the people and the responsibility for its support rests now upon all the people and not upon the few who formerly paid pew rent.

You are a member of the Church and St. Luke's is your Church! It is to you, therefore, that I appeal for help. Some time ago you signed a pledge to give a definite amount each week and you were sent envelopes for each Sunday of the year. The records show that thus far, few, if any of the envelopes, have been returned and that up to last Sunday $ was due on account of your pledge.

Of course at any time by notifying the Accounting Warden your pledge can be discontinued or reduced, so if you have pledged more than you are able to give, please write and tell me so and state what amount you can give. But I beg of you, if possible, to fulfill your pledge and then to continue to contribute regularly. Will you not before September 1st place your contribution for the above amount with the overdue envelopes in the alms basin, or, if more convenient, send direct to me.

St. Luke's needs the help of all her members and especially now that the Free Church System has been adopted. She needs you - your prayers, your interest and your contributions, and she appeals to you for them. I sincerely hope you will not let her appeal go unanswered.

Yours faithfully,

Clarence C. Brinton

Accounting Warden.

# ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

## GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

To the Members of the Congregation
of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia.

In order to provide for the financial needs of the Parish for 1923, the Vestry have decided to submit to the members of the congregation statements of the amount of money required to carry on the work properly, and of income that can be counted on through pledges now in effect, and from other sources. These statements appear in detail below.

| | |
|---|---|
| It will be noted that the Budget calls for | $30,177.00 |
| While the income amounts to | 21,834.00 |
| Leaving an amount to be raised of | 8,343.00 |

To meet this additional requirement it is necessary to appeal to the present subscribers to increase their pledges wherever possible and to the large number of communicants who are now pledging nothing, to become subscribers and so do their part in carrying on the Church's work.

If you are a subscriber won't you increase your pledge; if you are not, won't you become one? The Church needs you and your offerings whether large or small.

A Pledge card and an addressed envelope are enclosed, which should be mailed to Clarence C. Brinton, Accounting Warden, 5633 Germantown Ave. or placed in the plate at the offertory.

As the work involved in preparing the envelopes is very great, you are requested to send in your pledge promptly, at the latest by November 25th.

### BUDGET FOR 1923

| | |
|---|---|
| For Parish Support: | |
| Salaries-Rector and two Curates | $7,500.00 |
| Pension Fund Premiums | 562.50 |
| Sexton, Assistant Sexton and Secretary | 1,770.00 |
| Music | 3,600.00 |
| General Expense | 1,450.00 |
| Fuel, Light, Water and Power | 1,893.17 |
| Taxes | 484.81 |
| Permanent Fund Commissions | 650.00 |
| Extraordinary Repairs and Improvements | 500.00 |
| Diocesan Assessments | 877.55 |
| Sunday School Support | 125.00 |
| Insurance | 263.97 |
| Alms | 500.00 |
| | $20,177.00 |
| For Missions (We are asked by the Diocese to give $16,296.14)? | 10,000.00 |
| Total | $30,177.00 |

### ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1923

| | |
|---|---|
| For Parish Support: | |
| Pledges as per Statement | $12,508.08 |
| Income from Permanent Fund | 3,780.00 |
| Dividends Perpetual Fire Ins. Policies | 77.50 |
| Rent from Store 5409 Gtn. Ave. | 500.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 75.00 |
| | $16,940.58 |
| For Missions: | |
| Pledges as per Statement | 4,893.72 |
| Total | $21,834.30 |

## STATEMENT OF WEEKLY PLEDGES

As of November 1st, 1922

| No. of Pledges | Amount per week | Total per year | No. of Pledges | Amount per week | Total per year | No. of Pledges | Amount per week | Total per year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | $.03 | $ 1.56 | 6 | $ .75 | $ 234.00 | 6 | $ 3.00 | $ 936.00 |
| 6 | .05 | 15.60 | 4 | .80 | 166.40 | 1 | 3.40 | 176.80 |
| 82 | .10 | 426.40 | 2 | .90 | 93.60 | 2 | 3.50 | 364.00 |
| 36 | .15 | 280.80 | 26 | 1.00 | 1,352.00 | 2 | 3.60 | 374.40 |
| 27 | .20 | 280.80 | 1 | 1.12 | 58.24 | 1 | 3.75 | 195.00 |
| 57 | .25 | 741.00 | 1 | 1.15 | 59.80 | 3 | 4.00 | 624.00 |
| 10 | .30 | 156.00 | 10 | 1.25 | 650.00 | 2 | 4.60 | 478.40 |
| 23 | .35 | 418.60 | 1 | 1.40 | 72.80 | 1 | 4.90 | 254.80 |
| 2 | .40 | 41.60 | 9 | 1.50 | 702.00 | 4 | 5.00 | 1,040.00 |
| 4 | .45 | 93.60 | 2 | 1.75 | 182.00 | 1 | 6.00 | 312.00 |
| 35 | .50 | 910.00 | 11 | 2.00 | 1,144.00 | 2 | 7.00 | 728.00 |
| 1 | .55 | 28.60 | 2 | 2.25 | 234.00 | 2 | 10.00 | 1,040.00 |
| 7 | .60 | 218.40 | 6 | 2.50 | 780.00 | 2 | 12.00 | 1,248.00 |
| 4 | .70 | 145.60 | 1 | 2.75 | 143.00 | | | |
| | | | | | Total Pledges | 406 | $334.65 | $ 17,401.80 |

(a) In the above table Subscriptions payable periodically have been adjusted to a weekly basis and included as weekly pledges.

(b) Of the total amount pledged $12,508.08 is for the Parish and $4,893.72 for Missions.

It would be a great help in office work if those now making periodical subscriptions would pledge on the weekly basis and give through the envelopes. There are 48 persons who give both through the envelopes and subscriptions; if they would add their subscriptions to their envelope pledges it wonld save postage, stationery, and considerable time in book-keeping.

Faithfully yours,

Samuel Upjohn, Rector

Sydney L. Wright
Clarence C. Brinton
J. Frederick Thomas
Spencer P. Hazard
Walter G. Henderson
} Finance Committee

November, 1922

# Saint Luke's Church

GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

To the Members of the Congregation
of Saint Luke's Church, Germantown.

In order to provide for the financial needs of the Parish for 1925, the Rector and Finance Committee of the Vestry desire to submit to the members of the congregation statements of the amount of money required to carry on the work properly, and of income that can be counted upon through pledges now in effect, and from other sources. These statements appear in detail below.

| | |
|---|---|
| It will be noted that the Budget calls for | $31,910.00 |
| While the estimated income amounts to | 21,326.38 |
| Leaving an amount to be raised of | 10,683.62 |

To meet this additional requirement it is necessary to appeal to the present subscribers to increase their pledges wherever possible, and to the large number of communicants who are now pledging nothing, to become subscribers and so do their part in carrying on the Church's work.

If you are a subscriber won't you increase your pledge; if you are not, won't you become one? The Church needs you and your offerings whether large or small. It is hoped that every member of Saint Luke's congregation will be enrolled as a contributor before January 1st.

PLEDGE CARDS ARE ENCLOSED AND SHOULD BE FILLED OUT AND PLACED IN THE ACCOMPANYING ADDRESSED ENVELOPE. THEY WILL BE CALLED FOR BY ONE OF THE CANVASSERS ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 14TH.

## BUDGET FOR 1925

| | |
|---|---|
| For Parish Support: | |
| Clerical Salaries and Pension | $9,300.00 |
| Pension Fund Premiums | 670.00 |
| Sexton, Assistant Sexton and Secretary | 2,060.00 |
| Music | 4,000.00 |
| General Expense | 1,450.00 |
| Fuel, Light, Water and Power | 2,200.00 |
| Taxes | 485.00 |
| Permanent Fund Commissions | 700.00 |
| Extraordinary Repairs and Permanent Improvements | 1,000.00 |
| Diocesan Assessments | 1,025.00 |
| Sunday School Support | 125.00 |
| Insurance | 275.00 |
| Automobile Expense | 120.00 |
| | $23,410.00 |
| For Missions Apportioned By the Diocese | 8,500.00 |
| Total | $31,910.00 |

## ESTIMATED INCOME FOR 1925

| | |
|---|---|
| For Parish Support: | |
| Pledges as per Statement | $11,566.88 |
| Income from Permanent Fund | 4,245.00 |
| Dividends Perpetual Fire Ins. Policies | 77.50 |
| Rent from Store 5409 Gtn. Ave. | 500.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 75.00 |
| | $16,464.38 |
| For Missions: | |
| Pledges as Per Statement | 4,862.00 |
| Total | $21,326.38 |

## STATEMENT OF WEEKLY PLEDGES

Now in effect

| No. of Pledges | Amount per week | Total per year | No. of Pledges | Amount per week | Total per year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | $15.00 | $1,560.00 | 1 | $1.02 | $53.04 |
| 2 | 10.00 | 1,040.00 | 1 | 1.01 | 52.52 |
| 2 | 6.00 | 624.00 | 26 | 1.00 | 1,352.00 |
| 4 | 5.00 | 1,040.00 | 1 | .98 | 50.96 |
| 1 | 4.05 | 210.60 | 3 | .96 | 149.76 |
| 1 | 4.02 | 209.04 | 1 | .85 | 44.20 |
| 1 | 4.01 | 208.52 | 1 | .83 | 43.16 |
| 1 | 4.00 | 208.00 | 1 | .80 | 41.60 |
| 1 | 3.92 | 203.84 | 8 | .75 | 312.00 |
| 1 | 3.40 | 176.80 | 1 | .71 | 36.92 |
| 1 | 3.06 | 159.12 | 1 | .65 | 33.80 |
| 1 | 3.00 | 468.00 | 6 | .60 | 187.20 |
| 1 | 2.92 | 151.84 | 2 | .58 | 60.32 |
| 1 | 2.60 | 135.20 | 1 | .52 | 27.04 |
| 4 | 2.50 | 520.00 | 44 | .50 | 1,144.00 |
| 1 | 2.40 | 124.80 | 1 | .49 | 25.48 |
| 1 | 2.02 | 105.04 | 1 | .46 | 23.92 |
| 6 | 2.00 | 624.00 | 1 | .45 | 23.40 |
| 1 | 1.98 | 102.96 | 2 | .40 | 41.60 |
| 3 | 1.92 | 299.52 | 1 | .38 | 19.76 |
| 2 | 1.75 | 182.00 | 19 | .35 | 345.80 |
| 1 | 1.71 | 88.92 | 1 | .32 | 16.64 |
| 1 | 1.60 | 83.20 | 11 | .30 | 171.60 |
| 1 | 1.55 | 80.60 | 1 | .29 | 15.08 |
| 1 | 1.53 | 79.56 | 70 | .25 | 910.00 |
| 7 | 1.50 | 546.00 | 2 | .24 | 24.96 |
| 1 | 1.48 | 76.96 | 22 | .20 | 228.80 |
| 2 | 1.46 | 151.84 | 2 | .19 | 19.76 |
| 1 | 1.40 | 72.80 | 38 | .15 | 296.40 |
| 1 | 1.32 | 68.64 | 1 | .13 | 6.76 |
| 1 | 1.26 | 65.52 | 67 | .10 | 348.40 |
| 8 | 1.25 | 520.00 | 6 | .05 | 15.60 |
| 2 | 1.13 | 117.52 | 1 | .03 | 1.56 |
| | | Total Pledges | 410 | $119.28 | $16,428.88 |

(a) In the above table Subscriptions payable periodically have been adjusted to a weekly basis and included as weekly pledges.

(b) Of the total amount pledged $11,566.88 is for the Parish and $4,862.00 for Missions.

It would be a great help in office work if those now making periodical subscriptions would pledge on the weekly basis and give through the envelopes. There are twenty-three persons who give both through the envelopes and subscriptions. If they would add their subscriptions to their envelope pledges it would save postage, stationery, and considerable time in bookkeeping.

Faithfully yours

Wallace E. Conkling, Rector

Sydney L. Wright
Clarence C. Brinton
J. Frederick Thomas
Spencer P. Hazard
Walter G. Henderson
} Finance Committee

December, 1924

April, 1924.

To the Members of
S. Luke's Church, Germantown:

At a special meeting of the Vestry held on April 9th the Accounting Warden was authorized to issue a statement in regard to the Easter Offering.

The amount required is at least $3,500. This is needed (1) to cover the deficit of $465.49 for 1923; (2) to replace the boiler in the Parish House at a cost of $1,875, and (3) to purchase an automobile for the use of the Rector and to provide a garage back of the Parish House at a cost for both of about $1,200. These are necessary.

In addition provision should be made at this time for the salary of a second Curate, if the work of the Parish is to be adequately and efficiently carried on. This, however, might be provided for through the weekly envelope pledges; increased pledges from those who are able to give more than they are now giving and new pledges from those who although communicants have as yet assumed no responsibility for the support of the Parish. Of the total communicant list of about 900 persons, only 413 are regular contributors.

In 1922 the Easter Offering amounted to $1,068.20 and in 1923 $1,240.51, so it is obvious that in order to raise $3,500 this year it will be necessary for every communicant to give liberally, each according to his ability.

Shall we be content to give something that costs us nothing, that represents no sacrifice, no self-denial, and simply serves to make us feel that we are respectable members of the congregation, or shall we give something that really costs us something and that in the sight of Almighty God will be a worthy offering to Him in proportion to the things that He has given us?

Yours faithfully,

CLARENCE C. BRINTON,
Accounting Warden.

# SAINT LUKE'S CHURCH

The Old Mother Parish of Germantown

1811-1928

Appeals to the generosity of all
her spiritual children

## THE NEED

The interior of the Church is in a most shabby state. The plaster both on the walls and ceiling is disintegrating; the paint has faded, and in large areas has entirely peeled off. It has been recognized for a long time that something must be done. Nearly four years ago the first step was taken when the walls of the Choir and Sanctuary were faced with Indiana Limestone through the voluntary contributions of the people of the Parish, in thankful remembrance of the devoted life and service of the beloved Priest and Rector, SAMUEL UPJOHN.

The Rector and Vestry feel that the time has come when we should turn our attention to the completion of the task; namely, the redecoration of the Nave, or the main body of the Church. They are also agreed that it would be unwise to do this in other than permanent fashion. They therefore propose the following plan:—

Remove all plaster and wainscotings, and face the walls and arches with stone from the floor to the ceiling.

Remove the "truncated effect" in the present plastered ceiling and construct one of oaken beams conforming to the exterior form of the roof.

Place new choir stalls in the Chancel and make all other changes in the woodwork, aisles, et cetera, in order to bring about a resulting effect of complete harmony and beauty of detail.

## THE APPEAL

To make this work possible an appeal is made to every friend and member of the Parish. The week of October 11th to 18th has been set aside for this definite purpose. The name of every man, woman and child of the congregation will be given to a group of over one hundred canvassers, who will personally solicit contributions.

We shall need at least sixty thousand dollars. In order that all may be able to give as generously as possible, the payments have been extended over a period of three years, that is, on November 1 and May 1 of each year for three years, six payments in all. Of course, if any desire to contribute according to any other arrangement, they are entirely free to do so.

## MEMORIALS

The following portions of the Church can be appropriately designated as special Memorials.

The Choir Stalls $2000.

The Clerestory Arches (along each side of the Nave) each $2000.

The West Door and Niche $2000.

The Porch Interior and Doorway into the Church $2500.

The Pavement in the Aisles $3500.

The Transept Arches, each $3500.

The Main Chancel Arch $5000.

The Chapel of the Holy Child (north transept) $5000.

The Chapel of Saint Mary (south transept) $6000.

In each arch so given, the names of those remembered may be cut in the base stone on the inside of the arch, facing the Altar.

## THE CHILDREN'S ARCH

The Rector hopes that parents will make additional contributions in the name of their children. All such contributions will be devoted to a special portion of the work. It is hoped that enough will be so pledged that the Arch at the entrance of the North Transept can be built by these gifts. Thus we shall have a "Children's Arch" at the entrance to the Chapel of the Holy Child. Surely, your children will delight to know in adult life that they had a part in this great work for the adornment of God's House.

## OUR IDEAL

Our ideal is that this Church may be as beautiful as we are able to make it and that every member of the congregation will share in this great privilege. It is not necessary that all give large sums, but it IS necessary that every one of us should give what we can; and that we should increase our ability to give by making a real sacrifice.

The beloved old Church which has served you so well, appeals to you.

Your present Rector has been your chief Pastor now almost five years. In that time alone there have been nearly 200 persons baptized,

184 presented for Confirmation,
100 whose marriages have been blessed,
144 bodies have been laid to rest.

Last year alone there were over 1300 services in the Church, and during the year more than ten thousand communions were made.

Imagine the number of ministrations in the century and more of the life of the Parish!

The Church whose doors are always open to you, who never would fail you in your appeals for help, now appeals to you. Surely, you will respond!

## A FINAL WORD

The Church stands in the community as a witness to the Faith. What we have inherited from past generations is a splendid witness of the kind of Faith the people of Saint Luke's have had.

Let us, in our day, by acts of genuine self denial make offerings showing forth to God our thankfulness and love; and to men, our faith and devotion—

*for our Faith is not one of faded splendor!*
*Ours is not a shabby Faith!*

# Saint Luke's Church, Germantown

TO THE MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GERMANTOWN:

The Rector and the Vestry find it necessary at this time to lay before you certain important facts with regard to the finances of the Parish. They do so with complete confidence in your interest and your whole-hearted co-operation.

## We Cannot Balance Our Budget

The offerings during the past year were as well maintained as could be expected, in view of the economic depression, but after payment of all Parish expenses and our missionary quota there was a deficit for 1931 of $1,114.13. The prospect for 1932, taking into consideration such economies as can properly be effected, is for a still larger deficit. **In a word, it is impossible in the present state of our finances to balance our budget.**

## The Nave Fund Deficit Is Serious

In the fall of 1928 a campaign was undertaken to raise funds for the rebuilding of the interior of the Church. Pledges were obtained to cover the cost of the improvements, and although it was known that approximately $2,000 additional would be needed to cover interest charges on money required to be borrowed pending payment of the pledges, the Rector and the Vestry felt justified in going on with the work. A considerable number of the pledges, however, have not been paid. **The total amount now due for these improvements, including accumulated interest charges, is $12,750.**

## The Responsibility for Our Chapel

In 1914, the Church established a mission in East Germantown, which grew and prospered. In 1925 a Chapel was built on the ground which had been purchased several years before, at a total cost for building and ground of $24,-084.15, and the mortgage of $8,000 was increased to $13,000. It was felt at that time that the Chapel would best meet the needs of a growing community if there were a resident priest in charge. This involved additional expense, which we feel has been justified.

However, there have been deficits of about $500 annually for Chapel expenses, the total now amounting to $3,200. In the year 1931 the Chapel met all of its expenses for the first time. During the years 1929-31 the principal of the mortgage was reduced by $3,000, which almost equalled the amount of the accumulated deficits.

## Thus We Are $16,000 in Debt

**In order to pay for the improvements to our Church edifice and to meet the Chapel deficits it has been necessary to make bank loans which now represent a total of $16,000.** This figure does not include the $10,000 mortgage on the Chapel property. **It is vitally necessary that these loans should be reduced at the earliest possible moment for two reasons:** one, because of the drain upon our resources represented by interest charges; the other, that we have reached the limit of our borrowing capacity, making normal short-term financing difficult. Even a partial liquidation of the bank loans would immediately result both in reducing our costs and improving our credit position.

## An Undesirable Alternative

The Vestry fully realize the financial adjustments by which some of our people, in common with many others throughout the country, are confronted. But rather than resort to what appears to be the sole alternative, that of reducing salaries and lowering the amount allocated for music, we present these facts for your consideration, with the hope that you will make such measures unnecessary.

## So We Appeal to You

It may be that some of those who have completed their pledges for the Nave Fund will be able and willing to pay one or two more installments this year or at least a part of the amount these would represent; or that in view of the present situation some who have failed to fulfill their pledges will pay them now. It may be, also, that many who have become members of the Church since 1928, and who have the privilege of worshipping in the beautiful remodeled building, will feel inclined to contribute what they would have done had they been in the Parish when the project was undertaken.

**This appeal is made with the hope that every member of St. Luke's Church will contribute something to relieve the present situation.** A pledge card and an addressed envelope are enclosed. A prompt reply on this card, stating whether or not you are able to respond to the appeal, will be greatly appreciated.

(Signed)

WALLACE E. CONKLING,
Rector.

SPENCER P. HAZARD,
Rector's Warden.

CLARENCE C. BRINTON,
Accounting Warden.

REED A. MORGAN
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FRANK B. GUMMEY
CASPAR WISTAR HAINES
WILLIAM H. JACKSON
HERBERT BROWN
Vestrymen.

Draw checks to the order of
St. Luke's Church, Germantown,
and send to
Clarence C. Brinton, Accounting Warden,
5633 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia.

## HOW MUCH SHOULD I GIVE?

A great economist - Roger Babson - has made up a budget for his clients. In this he includes the following, which he has given St. Luke's permission to use -

| INCOME - After Taxes † | BENEVOLENCE AND CHURCH |
|---|---|
| $ 2,000 | $ 15 |
| 2,500 | 45 |
| 3,000 | 90 |
| 3,500 | 125 |
| 4,000 | 210 |
| 5,000 | 295 |
| 7,500 | 675 |
| 10,000 | 1,000 |
| 12,500 | 1,350 |
| 15,000 | 1,755 |
| 20,000 | 2,520 |
| 25,000 | 3,375 |

†Net after Income and Social Security Taxes, for family of four.

A Prayer for Faithfulness in the use of this World's Goods-

"Almighty God, whose loving hand hath given us all that we possess; grant us grace that we may honor Thee with our substance, and remembering the account which we one day must give, may be faithful stewards of Thy bounty; thru Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

(Prayer Book - page 599)

Your Every Member Canvasser will call upon you in a few days. What you give is a private matter. However, if you wish to discuss it you will find your canvasser well informed regarding our beloved parish.

EVERY MEMBER COMMITTEE

Allen D. Cornell
Craig M. Sharpe
Louis F. Schaeffer, Jr.
James M. Watt
Chm.

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# SAINT LUKE'S CHURCH

GERMANTOWN

My dear Friend,-

Today, more obviously than ever before, the Church of God is our most valued possession. She is the guardian of our liberties, our culture, and our spiritual health. People who sincerely appreciate such values will support their Church according to their means. Those who do not will make excuses for allowing someone else to carry their share in the support of religion.

Why should we pledge according to our means? It is only so that our parishes can be maintained. It is through the local Church that Christ is normally brought in contact with each individual soul. It is in the parish church that children are normally baptized and made members of Christ's Body - the Church. It is there that people most readily are prepared for Confirmation. It is in the church that we receive the most Blessed Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood and so fulfill our obligation of public worship and loyalty. It is in the church that we usually hear the Word of God, that our sins can be forgiven, that we can find spiritual healing, and that we are married, and it is there that our young men are Ordained to the Sacred Ministry, and where we turn to find the Priests of God, who are ready, day or night, to rush to our aid in any emergency. It is from the church that they bring us the oil for anointing, the Viaticum if need be, or they commend our souls to Almighty God in Burial Service and Requiem when we cross that River from which there is no return.

People who value these Services and ministrations will gladly pledge to the support of their Church according to their abilities. We are told that, in case of an atomic bomb attack, we should have only about two seconds

to prepare for it, once it is detonated. That is not sufficient time to prepare our souls for judgment. Your Rector hopes that all of us will live carefully and in a state of grace during these dangerous days.

The Church states frankly that people who do not go to church or support it by pledged amounts that show on the Church's records are not members in good standing, no matter how loudly they may protest their interest. This is the Canon Law of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. There are far too many people in this class in S. Luke's Church. They do not hesitate to call on the Church in time of need, and to call loudly, yet the selfishness of this large group is responsible for the fact that both of the Assistant Priests working here are now receiving salaries that are about $1,000. a year under what the Diocese requires for its young clergy who are in charge of a Diocesan Mission. These inadequate salaries, with the cost of living constantly increasing, may some day seriously impair the work that our beloved Parish has been carrying on for nearly a century and a half.

Your Rector hopes, and from the bottom of his heart, that every member of our Church will consider seriously this year what he or she should give in relationship to what they receive. There is no one else to carry this responsibility for us. If we shirk our share, the whole Church will suffer.

We still have the great privilege of supporting the work of Almighty God. It is the only hope of this world. I feel sure that every one of us will accept this canvass as an opportunity to help bring in God's kingdom. If we do our best, we shall succeed. May God bless you in your decision.

Affectionately your Rector,

S. TAGART STEELE, JR.

October 4, 1950

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING WARDEN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 12/31/49 AND OF THE BUDGET FOR 1950

| INCOME | Year 1949 | Budget 1950 |
|---|---|---|
| Regular Offerings | $24,222.28 | $23,900.00 |
| Special Offerings | 5,075.13 | 5,500.00 |
| Investment Income | 3,687.59 | 3,655.00 |
| Real Estate Rentals | 1,425.00 | 1,425.00 |
| | $34,410.00 | $34,480.00 |
| **EXPENDITURES** | | |
| Salaries (Clergy, Secretary and Sextons) | $14,349.67 | $14,748.00 |
| Music (Including Organist) | 5,421.76 | 5,500.00 |
| Fuel, Light, Water and Power | 4,617.31 | 4,300.00 |
| Taxes and Insurance | 2,090.23 | 2,099.00 |
| Pension Premiums and Assessments | 2,297.14 | 2,872.00 |
| General Expenses | 5,830.24 | 4,525.00 |
| Extraordinary Maintenance & Repairs | 909.23 | 1,200.00 |
| | $35,515.58 | $35,244.00 |
| Deficit | $ 1,105.58 | $ 764.00 |

The above represents only funds for the parish. It does not include Missions.

SPENCER P. HAZARD

Accounting Warden